

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph [0052] spanning at pages 10 and 11 with the following version:

[0052] The 12-volt relay control section 8K controls the 12-volt relay 44 in order to connect and disconnect the electrical power supplied from the 12-volt battery 43 to the 4WD controller 8, which distributes the electrical power to various components of the vehicle driving force control apparatus. The electric power supply managing section 8J, the surplus torque computing section 8E 8 only operate when electrical power is supplied from the 12-volt battery 43. Of course, the other sections of the 4WD controller 8, with the exception of the 12-volt relay control section 8K, continue to operate even when the electrical power is disconnect from the 12-volt battery 43 to the 4WD controller 8.

Please replace the paragraph [00136] at page 25 with the following version:

[00136] In step S1225, the 4WD controller 8 determines if the value of XWF is 1, i.e., if required wheel stopping time estimate value TWS is being counted down. If so, the 4WD controller 8 proceeds to step S1230 ~~S123~~. If XWF is not 1, the 4WD controller 8 returns to the beginning of the loop.